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SUBJECT: GULF: AMBASSADOR PRESSES ISSUE WITH NEW
FINANCE MINISTER

REF: LIMA 4098

1. AMBASSADOR TOOK OPPORTUNITY OF FIRST SOCIAL FUNCTION OFFERED BY MINISTER OF FINANCE PIAZZA (BUSINESS INTERNATIONAL RECEPTION EVENING OF MAY 18) TO URGE PIAZZA TO RESOLVE GULF ISSUE QUICKLY. AMBASSADOR HANDED MINISTER NON-PAPER ON GULF NOTING THAT MORE THAN TWO YEARS HAVE PASSED WITHOUT COMPENSATION FOR EXPROPRIATION HAVING BEEN PAID, DESPITE FACT THAT AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE WAS REACHED IN EARLY MONTHS OF NEGOTIATIONS. AMBASSADOR NOTED THAT GULF CASE CONTINUES TO BE A SOURCE OF IRRITATION BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES SIMPLY BECAUSE OF BUREAUCRATIC DELAYS IN MINISTRIES OF FINANCE AND ENERGY.

2. MINISTER PIAZZA INDICATED AN AWARENESS OF SENSITIVITY OF GULF ISSUE, AND CALLED OVER FINANCE VICE MINISTER KEIL, WHO CONFIRMED STATUS OF BUREAUCRATIC PROGRESS (OR LACK OF IT) WITHIN GOP. L PIAZZA THEN INDICATED TO AMBASSADOR THAT
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GULF ISSUE WOULD RECEIVE HIS EARLY ATTENTION.

3. EARLIER AMBASSADOR HAD ATTEMPTED TO RAISE GULF ISSUE WITH MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINES GEN. ARTURO LA TORRE DI TOLLA, BUT MINISTER HAD ALREADY DEPARTED FOR CERRO VERDE INAUGURATION SCHEDULED FOR MAY 20 IN AREQUIPA. AMBASSADOR DID SPEAK WITH LA TORRE AIDE, WHO

ASSURED HIM MATTER WAS PROCEEDING ON PRIORITY BASIS.
EMBASSY ECONOFF IS FOLLOWING UP WITH CALL MORNING MAY
19 TO ACTING VICE MINISTER OF ENERGY COL. GAMARRA. IN
ANY CASE, AMBASSADOR PLANS TAKE FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO
RAISE ISSUE WITH MINISTER OF MINES ALONG LINES PARA 1
ABOVE.

4. IN BOTH CONVERSATIONS AMBASSADOR STRESSED UNDESIRABILITY
OF HAVING GULF ISSUE STILL PENDING AND ON THE AGENDA DURING MRS.
CARTER'S IMPENDING VISIT TO PERU. THIS CONSIDERATION SEEMED
TO HAVE CONSIDERABLE IMPACT, AND AMBASSADOR WAS ASSURED THIS
WOULD NOT BE THE CASE. DEAN

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